CURRICULUM VITAE

Personal Details

Full Name: Michal Schwartz
Place of Birth: Tel Aviv, Israel
Marital Status: Married; four children

Education and Research Experience

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1968–1971	B.Sc. in Chemistry, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Israel (Cum Laude).
1972–1977	Ph.D. in Chemical Immunology, Department of Chemical Immunology, The Weizmann Institute of Science, Rehovot, Israel. Thesis: The molecular and cellular basis of the genetic control of the immune response to newly synthesized ordered polypeptides. Supervisors: Profs. M. Sela and E. Mozes.
1977–1978	Postdoctoral Fellow, Department of Chemical Immunology, The Weizmann Institute of Science. Research subject: Neuroimmunology - Immunological aspects of myasthenia gravis, in collaboration with Prof. S. Fuchs.
1978–1980	Postdoctoral fellow, Prof. B. Agranoff's Laboratory, Department of Neuroscience, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI, USA. Research subject: Biochemical aspects of nerve regeneration.
1980–1985	Senior Scientist, Department of Neurobiology, The Weizmann Institute of Science.
1985–1998	Associate professor with tenure, Department of Neurobiology, The Weizmann Institute of Science.
1987–	Maurice and Ilse Katz Professorial Chair in Neuroimmunology.
1988–1992	Visiting Associate Professor, Department of Anatomy, Medical College of Pennsylvania, PA, USA.
1996	Founded a start-up company (Proneuron Biotechnologies)
1998	Professor, Department of Neurobiology, The Weizmann Institute of Science, Rehovot, Israel

Honors and Prizes

1970	B'nei-Brith Prize for Distinguished Students (awarded by the Hebrew University of Jerusalem).
1971	Prize for Distinguished B.Sc. Students (awarded by the Hebrew University of Jerusalem).

1977	Landau Prize for Distinguished Ph.D. Students (awarded by the Feinberg Graduate School, The Weizmann Institute of Science).
1978–1980	Chaim Weizmann Award for Postdoctoral Training.
1981–1985 1985	The Helena Rubinstein Career Development Chair. Prof. Stein Prize for Distinguished Work on the Visual System (awarded by Tel Aviv University).
1995	International Award in Ophthalmology, Singapore.
1996	Glaucoma Foundation Award.
1997	Alcon Award for Outstanding Contribution in Eye Research.
1998	Academia Ophthalmologica Internationalis Award for "Skilled Scientist and Eminent Teacher", June 1998.
2000	Career Woman of the year 2000, Israel
2001	The 22nd Annual Peter and Eva Safar Annual Lectureship in Medical Sciences and Humanities, University of Pittsburgh, school of Medicine.
2002	ARVO Award for outstanding research in the basic or clinical sciences as applied to ophthalmology (Friedenwald Award).
2002	The G. Heiner Sell Memorial Lectureship for outstanding achievement in the field of spinal cord injury, awarded by the American Spinal Cord Injury Association.
2002	The Post-Polio Research Award
2002	The International Glaucoma Review Award for daring, breakthrough, creative, original research in glaucoma
2006	Jewish Women International award for "Women to Watch in 5767"
2007	Chancellor's Award Lecture in Neuroscience at the Neuroscience Center of Excellence at Louisiana State University

Scientific Advisory Boards

1994 –	The Glaucoma Foundation, USA
1994	TEVA Ltd. Ad hoc member for Central Nervous System Research
1993–	Member of the scientific advisory board for neuroprotection, Allergan Ltd

1997-1999	Biomedics Investments, Israel
1998-2000	Elected Member in The International Committee of Association for Research in Vision and Ophthalmology (ARVO).
1999–	Member of Medical Advisory Board, The Alan T. Brown Foundation to Cure Paralysis.
2000–	Elected Member of The Scientific Board of The International Society of Neuroimmunomodulation

Editorial Boards

Neuroscience Research Communications (1990 -)

Journal of Restorative Neurology and Neuroscience (1995 -

Journal of Molecular Neuroscience, (2001 -)

Investigative Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences (2001 –) **Editorial Boards (cont.)**

Journal of Molecular Medicine (2004 –)

Future Neurology (2005 –)

Review Boards

European Commission Evaluation Panel – evaluator and reviewer

University of Toronto Joint Centre for Bioethics - expert evaluator

Keynote Lectures since 1990

- 1. International Congress of Academy of Ophthalmology (**Keynote Lecturer**). June, 1998
- 2. FASEB Summer Conference on Interaction of the Nervous and the Immune Systems (elected Conference Chairperson and keynote lecturer). Copper Mountain, CO, USA, July, 1998.
- 3. Alcon Research Institute Symposium, (Alcon Awardees for Outstanding Contributions in the Field of Vision Research). Texas, USA, March 1999.
- 4. The 3rd International symposium on Ocular Pharmacology and Pharmaceutics ISOPP, (**Keynote lecturer**). Lisbon, February, 2000.
- 5. 5th International Symposium on Ocular Trauma (**Keynote lecture**). Montreal, Quebec, Canada, July, 2000.
- 6. **The Elected Lecturer** of the 22nd Annual Peter and Eva Safar Lecture, University of Pittsburgh, December 2001
- 7. Joint meeting of the American Spinal Injury Association and the International Medical Society of Paraplegia (Keynote lecturer), Vancouver, Canada, May 2002.

- 8. Association for Research in Vision and Ophthalmology, (Keynote Lecturer as Recipient of the Friedenwald Award), Fort Lauderdale, Florida, May 2002.
- 9. Vancouver, Canada, May, 2002. An invited guest of the Canadian Congress of Neurological Sciences (**Keynote lecturer**). Canada, June 2002.
- 10. American Uveitis Society Meeting (**Keynote lecture**), Ft. Lauderdale, Florida, May 2003.
- 11. European Neurological Society Meeting, (Presidential symposium lecturer) Istanbul, Turkey, June 2003.
- 12. Kentucky Spinal Cord Injury Research Trust Symposium (Keynote lecturer), Louisville, Kentucky, June 2003
- 13. American Committee for Treatment and Research in Multiple Sclerosis (**Keynote lecture**), San Francisco, California, October 2003.
- 14. 34th Annual Society for Neuroscience Meeting, Symposium on "The cross-talk between the immune and the nervous systems in physiological and pathological conditions basic aspects and clinical implications", San Diego, USA, October 2004.
- 15. Symposium on 'Neuroprotective Strategies in Degenerative Eye Disease', Vanderbuilt University, Nashville, USA, October 2006. **Keynote Speaker**

Honorary and Invited Lectures presented at Symposia and Conferences Since 1990

- 1. 6th International Symposium on Development, Transplantation and Plasticity of the Nervous System. September, 1990.
- 2. European Association of Neurological Societies: European Course on Neurosurgery. Jerusalem, Israel, September, 1990.
- 3. 3rd International Conference on Tumor Necrosis Factors and Related Cytokines. Tokyo, Japan, November, 1990.
- 4. 4th Otto Loewi Center Meeting on Development and Functioning of Neuronal Networks. Jerusalem, Israel, April, 1991.
- 5. Regional Meeting on Physiological Sciences. Prague, Czechoslovakia, June, 1991.
- 6. Rockefeller University The Weizmann Institute of Science Symposium on Neuronal Plasticity. Rehovot, Israel, October, 1991.
- 7. International Society of Neuroimmunology: 3rd International Congress (plenary lecturer), Jerusalem, Israel, October, 1991.
- 8. 2nd International Symposium on Ocular Trauma. Geneva, Switzerland, April 2–5, 1992.
- 9. International Symposium on Eye Research. Stressa, Italy, September, 1992.
- 10. Satellite Symposium of the European Neuroscience Association on Stimulation of Brain Repair. Munich, Germany, September, 1992.
- 11. Philippe Laudat Conference on Cytokines and the Brain. Le Bischenberg, France, October, 1992.
- 12. Taniguchi Foundation Symposium on Development and Function in the Visual System. Katata, Japan, November, 1992.
- 13. International Symposium on Low-Energy Laser Biostimulation. Los Angeles, CA, USA, January, 1993.
- 14. Fifth International Symposium on Neural Regeneration. Asilomar, CA, USA, December, 1993.

- 15. FASEB Summer Conference on Interactions of the Nervous and Immune Systems: Peptides, Neurotransmitters, Cytokines, Adhesion Molecules and their Receptors. Copper Mountain, CO, USA, July, 1994.
- 16. Fourth International Conference on Transglutaminases and Protein Cross-Linking Reactions. Budapest, Hungary, August, 1994.
- 17. European Society for Neuroscience: Workshop on the Cross Talk between the Immune and the Nervous Systems. August, 1994.
- 18. Fifteenth Annual Meeting of the Israel Society for Eye and Vision Research (honorary guest lecturer). Israel, December, 1994.
- 19. International Symposium on Low-Energy Laser Biostimulation. Los Angeles, CA, USA, January, 1995.
- 20. 2nd Annual Think Tank on Optic Nerve Regeneration. Glaucoma Foundation, New York, NY, USA, May, 1995.
- 21. 9th International Congress of Immunology. San Francisco, CA, USA, July, 1995.
- 22. International Symposium on Experimental and Clinical Ocular Pharmacology and Pharmaceutics. Geneva, Switzerland, September, 1995.
- 23. 11th European Congress on Multiple Sclerosis. Jerusalem, Israel, September, 1995.
- 24. Leading Scientists Meeting on Glaucoma. Tempe, AZ, USA, March, 1996.
- 25. The 3rd Annual Think Tank on Optic Nerve Regeneration. Glaucoma Foundation, New York, NY, USA, May, 1996.
- 26. Fourth Altschul Symposium on Cell Biology and Pathology of Myelin: Evolving Biological Concepts and Therapeutic Approaches. Saskatoon, Canada, June, 1996.
- 27. CNS Regeneration Conference. University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY, USA, June, 1996.
- 28. FASEB Summer Conference on Interactions of the Nervous and Immune Systems. Copper Mountain, CO, USA, July, 1996.
- 29. Amgen Symposium on Trophic Factors in Glaucoma. San Diego, CA, USA, July, 1996.
- 30. International Symposium on Experimental Spinal Cord Repair and Regeneration. Brescia, Italy, October, 1996.
- 31. Winter Glaucoma School. The Grand Cayman. February, 1997.
- 32. Symposium on Neuroprotection and Apoptosis. Uppsala, Sweden, April, 1997.
- 33. First Annual Conference in Association with Vision Research, Molecular, Cellular and Genetic Approaches to Function and Dysfunction of the Retina. Fort Lauderdale, FL, USA, May, 1997.
- 34. Association for Research in Vision and Ophthalmology (ARVO) Symposium on Neuroprotection in Glaucoma. Fort Lauderdale, FL, USA, May, 1997.
- 35. New Horizons in Neuroimmunology, 9th Rappaport Symposium. Israel, May, 1997.
- 36. 3rd Meeting of ETRO Working Party on Factor XIII. Eger, Hungary, May, 1997.
- 37. 4th Think Tank in Glaucoma. New York, NY, USA, June, 1997.
- 38. XIth Congress of the European Society of Ophthalmology (guest lecturer). Hungary, Budapest, June, 1997.
- 39. International Symposium on Experimental and Clinical Ocular Pharmacology and Pharmaceutics. Munich, Germany, September, 1997.

- 40. American Academy of Ophthalmology. San Francisco, CA, October, 1997.
- 41. Neurodegeneration and Neuroprotection in Neurodegenerative diseases. Jerusalem, Israel, November, 1997.
- 42. International Meeting on Optic Nerve Structure, Function and Neuroprotection, supported by Santen Pharmaceuticals. Portland, OR, USA, November, 1997.
- 43. Bat-Sheva Seminar on Cellular, Molecular and Genetic Aspects of Aging and Longevity. Israel, December, 1997.
- 44. 2nd International Glaucoma Symposium. Jerusalem, March, 1998.
- 45. Joint Minerva-GIF meeting on New Strategies and Perspectives in Understanding CNS Disorders. Jerusalem, May, 1998.
- 46. Boehringer Ingelheim Symposium on Brain Repair Strategies for the Treatment of Chronic Neurodegenerative Diseases. Germany, May, 1998.
- 47. Association for Research in Vision and Ophthalmology (ARVO) Symposium on Neuroprotection and Regeneration in Glaucoma (symposium moderator). Fort Lauderdale, FL, USA, May, 1998.
- 48. The Ocular Drug and Surgical Therapy Update. Laguna Niguel, California, June, 1998.
- 49. XIII international congress of Eye Research. Paris, July, 1998.
- 50. International Society of Neuroimmunology. Montreal, August, 1998.
- 51. The 4th Annual Think Tank on Optic Nerve Regeneration. Glaucoma Foundation, New York, NY, USA, September, 1998.
- 52. International Symposium on Experimental Spinal Cord Repair and Regeneration. Brescia, Italy, October, 1998.
- 53. Retinal Ganglion Cell Catalyst. Quebec, October, 1998.
- 54. Second Joint Meeting of the International Cytokine Society, symposium on Cytokines and Neuroimmunomodulation. Jerusalem, October, 1998.
- 55. Invited Teacher in Tufts Medical School in a "Course on Neurotoxicity and Neuroprotection" (a part of Continuing Education in Medicine). Boston, October, 1998.
- 56. European Association of Vision and Eye Research (EVER), Symposium on Neuroprotection in Relation to Ischemia and Glaucoma. Palma de Mallorca, October, 1998.
- 57. Federation of The Israel Societies of Experimental Biology (FISEB), Symposium on Development and Regeneration in the Nervous System. Jerusalem, December, 1998.
- 58. American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS), Symposium on Brain-Immune Connection: From Popular Myth to Hard Science. Anaheim, California, January, 1999.
- 59. Glaucoma Experts Meeting 1999. St. Moritz, Switzerland, March, 1999.
- 60. 2nd International Congress of Autoimmunity. Tel Aviv, March, 1999.
- 61. Second Spinal Cord Symposium, Paralyzed Veterans of America. Arlington, VA., April, 1999.
- 62. Association for Research in Vision and Ophthalmology (ARVO), Opening symposium of the 1999 meeting on Neuroprotection and Neuroregeneration. Florida, May, 1999.

- 63. Frontiers in Spinal Cord Regeneration. 5th Annual Kentucky Spinal Cord and Head Injury Research Trust Symposium. Louisville, June, 1999.
- 64. Fourth Annual Mayo-Luther forum on Hematopoietic Cells. Mayo Clinic, Rochester, Minnesota, June, 1999.
- 65. The XIIth Congress of European Society of Ophthalmology, Symposium on Neuroprotection in Glaucoma. Stockholm, June, 1999.
- 66. Fifth IBRO World Congress of Neuroscience, Symposium on CNS Ischemia and Traumatized neuroprotective approaches. Jerusalem, July, 1999.
- 67. 4th International Congress of International Society for Neuroimmunomodulation, Lugano, September, 1999.
- 68. Neural Regeneration Symposium, Asilomar, California, USA, December 1999.
- 69. The 3rd International symposium on Ocular Pharmacology and Pharmaceutics ISOPP, (keynote lecturer). Lisbon, February, 2000.
- 70. International symposium on Neuroprotection, (keynote lecturer). San Antonio, February, 2000.
- 71. International Symposium on Experimental Spinal Cord Repair and Regeneration, Brescia, Italy, April, 2000.
- 72. National Health Institute Workshop. The Role of the Immune System in Spinal Cord Injury. Bethesda, MD, April, 2000.
- 73. International Neuroimmunology Symposium. The Next Neuroscience Generation. Berlin, Germany, May, 2000.
- 74. American Association of Immunologists, (chairperson of ISNIM symposium and lecturer). Seattle, May, 2000.
- 75. Tenth meeting of The European Neurological Society, Jerusalem, June, 2000
- 76. New England Eye Center. Neuroprotection in Glaucoma 2000. Boston, Massachusetts, June, 2000.
- 77. 2nd Neuroprotection Consensus Meeting: "Neuroprotection: Possibilities in Perspective". London, UK, June, 2000.
- 78. FASEB Summer Conference on Interaction of the Nervous and the Immune Systems, (elected Conference Chairperson). July, 2000.
- 79. International Seminar. Inflammatory Cytokines and Chemokines in the Context of Extracellular Matrix. Jerusalem, Israel, September, 2000.
- 80. Frontier in Molecular Basis of Diseases. Conference on Cell Biology of Neuronal Dysfunction, Paris, October, 2000.
- 81. International Society for Neurotrauma, Xian, China, December, 2000.
- 82. Research to Prevent Blindness Workshop. Glaucoma: A Novel Neuronal Degeneration? Sarasota, Florida, March, 2001.
- 83. National Multiple Sclerosis Society. Neuronal Injury in MS and Related Disorders: Mechanisms and Prevention. New Orleans, Louisiana, March, 2001.
- 84. The American Society of Immunologists (**Plenary lecture**). Orlando, Florida, April, 2001.
- 85. European Society of Neuroimmunology (Plenary lecture). Bordeaux, June 2001.
- 86. European Society of Neuroimmunology. Paris, June 2001.
- 87. The 8th Annual Glaucoma Foundation Optic Nerve Rescue and Restoration Think Tank: Gene Therapy. New York, New York, July 2001.

- 88. International Society of Neuroimmunology (**Plenary lecture**). Scotland, September 2001.
- 89. The 2nd European-American Intensive Course in Clinical and Forensic Genetics. Dubrovnik, Croatia, September 2001.
- 90. XV International Congress of Eye Research (ICER), Geneva, Switzerland, October 2001.
- 91. The 3rd Congress of Asian-Oceanic Glaucoma Society (AOGS) (Plenary lecture). Seoul, Korea, October 2001.
- 92. Neurological Congress of Rehabilitation, Dusseldorf, Germany, November 2001.
- 93. Association Pour La Recherche Sur La Sclerose En Plaques: Immunomodulation and Induction of Tolerance in Multiple Sclerosis. Paris, December 2001.
- 94. The Gordon conference on myelin. Ventura, California, February 2002.
- 95. Workshop on Neuroprotection in Ophthalmology. Rome, Italy, February 2002.
- 96. 3rd International Congress on Autoimmunity. Geneva, Switzerland, February 2002.
- 97. Brain Plasticity in Health and Disease, National Institute for Psychobiology in Israel. Tel-Aviv, Israel, March 2002.
- 98. 4th International Symposium on Experimental Spinal Cord Repair and Regeneration. Brescia, Italy, March 2002.
- 99. 7th Annual Think Tank. Glaucoma Foundation, Chicago, IL, USA, July 2002.
- 100. FASEB meeting on Neuro-immune interactions (**Plenary lecture**). Tucson, AZ, USA, August 2002.
- 101. 4th International Symposium on Experimental and clinical Neurology (**Plenary lecture**). Slovak Republic, September, 2002.
- 102. The First Joint Meeting of The National And International Neurotrauma Societies: The Sixth International Neurotrauma Symposium and The 20th Annual National Neurotrauma Society Symposium, (Plenary lecture). Tampa, Florida, October, 2002.
- 103. 10th Annual Meeting of the European Society for Gene Therapy. **(Plenary lecture)**. Antibes Juan-les-Pins, France, October 2002.
- 104. American Glaucoma Society Subspecialty Day for presenting the IGR Award, Orlando, Florida, October, 2002.
- 105. Allergan Neuroprotection Symposium, Goa, India, November 2002.
- 106. Congress of the British Society for Neuroimmunology, (Plenary lecture). Harrogate, UK, December 2002.
- 107. Italian Neuroimmunology Society Conference on Autoimmunity and Neurodegeneration, (Plenary lecture). Bergamo, Italy, March 2003.
- 108. 4th International Glaucoma Symposium (**Plenary lecture**), Barcelona, Spain, March, 2003
- 109. Neuroinflammation and Stroke, Berlin, Germany, April 2003.
- 110. Association for Research in Vision and Ophthalmology, (Organizer and Chairperson of Special Interest Group Meeting), Fort Lauderdale, Florida, May 2003.
- 111. 3rd International Magdeburg Conference on Neuroprotection and Neurorepair, (Plenary lecture), Magdeburg, Germany, May, 2003.
- 112. 2nd Mickeln Symposium on Neurodegeneration and CNS Repair (**Plenary Lecture**), Dusseldorf, Germany, May, 2003.

- 113. "Spinal Cord Injury: Conventional and Alternative Approaches", Bourges, France, June 2003.
- 114. Lecturer, FENS Summer course on neuroimmunology, Oporto, Portugal, July 2003.
- 115. Meeting on Regeneration and Cell Therapy: Clinical Advances, Paris, France, July 2003.
- 116. Lecturer, Baltic Summer School, University of Kiel, Kiel, Germany, August 2003.
- 117. 33rd Cambridge Ophthalmological Symposium, Cambridge, United Kingdom, September 2003.
- 118. International Symposium on "Inflammation, degeneration and regeneration from basic mechanisms to clinical manifestations", Magdeburg, Germany, October 2003.
- 119. Allergan special symposium on neurodegeneration, Shanghai, China, October 2003.
- 120. Glial Inflammation in HIV-1 and Chronic Neurodegenerative Diseases, NIH Workshop, Washington, DC, December 2003.
- 121. The European Charcot Foundation Symposium, Lisbon, Portugal, December 2003.
- 122. International Campaign for Cures for spinal cord injury Paralysis (ICCP) workshop on Experimental Cellular and Pharmaceutical Interventions for the Treatment of Spinal Cord Injury, Vancouver, Canada, February 2004.
- 123. The 5th International Symposium on Ocular Pharmaceuticals and Therapeutics (ISOPT), Monte Carlo, Monaco, March 2004.
- 124. Annual meeting of the American Academy of Allergy Asthma & Immunology (AAAAI), San Francisco, California, March 2004.
- 125. National Academy of Sciences Sackler Colloquium "Therapeutic Vaccines Realities of Today and Hopes for Tomorrow", Washington, DC, April,2004.
- 126. Beijing International Glaucoma Conference, Beijing, China, April 2004.
- 127. Association for Research in Vision and Ophthalmology (ARVO), Ft. Lauderdale, Florida, April 2004.
- 128. IX Spinal Cord Monitoring Meeting, Rome, Italy, May 2004.
- 129. The use of stem cells in treatment of Spinal Cord Injuries: reality and perspectives Meeting, Imola, Italy, June 2004.
- 130. 4th International Congress on Genetics and Regeneration in Neuroscience, Terni, Italy, June 2004.
- 131. FENS, Lisbon, Portugal, July 2004.
- 132. 12th International Congress of Immunology and 4th Annual Conference of FOCIS, Montreal, Canada, July 2004.
- 133. International Society for Neuroimmunology (ISNI), Venice, Italy, September 2004.Annual Think Tank. The Glaucoma Foundation, New York, NY, USA, September 2004.
- 134. National Neurovision Research Institute and Foundation Fighting Blindness 1st International Symposium on Translational Clinical Research for Inherited and Orphan Retinal Diseases, Washington, DC, USA, November 2004.
- 135. The Peres Center for Peace; The Tuscan Partnership: Saving Children Medicine in the Service of Peace Celebrating the 1st Anniversary, Florence, Italy, November 2004.
- 136. 7th Meeting of the Association for Ocular Pharmacology and Therapeutics (AOPT), Catania, Italy, February 2005.
- 137. Immunomodulation Strategies for Stroke Prevention Workshop, Bethesda, MD, USA, March 2005.

- 138. Association for Research in Vision and Ophthalmology (ARVO), Ft. Lauderdale, Florida, April 2005.
- 139. International Symposium on New Approaches to Understanding the Basis of Multiple Sclerosis, Valencia, Spain, June 2005.
- 140. BioIsrael 2005 Philadelphia, Penn., USA June 2005
- 141. World Glaucoma Congress, Vienna, Austria, July 2005.
- 142. International Neurobionic Symposium, Hannover, Germany, July 2005.
- 143. 2nd meeting of the Brazilian Association for Research in Vision and Ophthalmology (BRAVO), Brazil, August 2005. (**Plenary lecture**)
- 144. 1st Moscow International Working Conference: Natural Autoimmunity In Physiology And Pathology, Moscow, Russia, September 2005.
- 145. Glaucoma Symposium at the DOG/SOE Congress, Berlin, Germany, September 2005.
- 146. XXXVI Congress of the Italian Neurological Society, Symposium on 'Neuroprotection in Multiple Sclerosis', Cernobbio, Italy, October 2005.
- 147. American Academy of Opthalmology, Glaucoma Subspeciality Day, Chicago, USA, October 2005.
- 148. International Stem Cell Symposium, Los Angeles, Ca. USA, November, 2005. (Plenary lecture)
- 149. World Ophthalmology Congress, Glaucoma Subspeciality Day, Sao Paolo, Brazil, February 2006
- 150. 8th Residential Course of Neuroimmunology (CRNI), Bergamo, Italy, March 2006.
- 151. 26th National Turkish Ophthalmological Society Course Meeting, Ankara, Turkey, April 2006
- 152. 4th International Symposium on Neuroprotection and Neurorepair, Magdeburg, Germany May 2006.
- 153. 8th International Congress of the Cell Transplant Society, Milan, Italy, May 2006
- 154. 25th Princeton Conference on Cerebral Vascular Disease, Portland, Oregon, May 2006
- 155. Symposium on 'Pathogenesis on Rare Neuroimmunologic Disorders, Baltimore, Maryland, USA July 2006
- 156. The Fondation Mérieux Meeting entitled "Control of anti-tumoral and anti-infectious immune responses by Regulatory T cell subsets: potential clinical applications September 2006
- 157. Symposium on 'Neuroprotective Strategies in Degenerative Eye Disease', Vanderbuilt University, Nashville, USA, October 2006 **Keynote Speaker** Nashville Tenn October 2006
- 158. 8th International Congress of Neuroimmunology, Nagoya, Japan, October 2006. Chairperson
- 159. 6th International Symposium on Experimental Spinal cord Repair and Regeneration, Brescia, Italy, December 2006.